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**PAPERS FROM THE VIRGINIA STATE AUDITOR'S
OFFICE, NOW IN THE STATE LIBRARY.**

(Continued.)

**EXTRACT OF A LETTER (1) FROM THE VIRGINIA DELEGATES IN
CONGRESS (1781?).**

The public Creditors have for sometime past been extremely urgent for some effectual & permanent provision in their favor and seeing but little prospect of obtaining it from the United States are turning their applications to their own States. Those who are Citizens of Pennsylvania in particular have adopted this policy and the Legislature having rec'd no satisfactory answer to two memorials presented to Congress in their favor have been on the point of appropriating to their use a part of the requisition of Congress allotted for more essential objects—

Should such a measure be resorted to by one State it would probably be received by the others as a signal to take care each of its separate interests.

The Effects of such a step on the Union itself, on the Common Defense, on our national character and on the Councils of the Enemy need not be traced.

The apprehension of them by Congress produced the inclosed instructions to the Superintendent of finance—

The resolution which follows deputing three of their members to Rhode Island to enforce the impost 5 ¢ ct. was thought a precaution no less essential. For besides the tendency of this fund if vested in the United States to prevent undue appropriations by the States we find by melancholly experience that the annual contributions of the States, if left to the entire

(1) In 1781, Congress proposed an impost duty of five per cent on certain articles to raise money to pay the public debt. All the States except Rhode Island, consented. At this time John Adams was in Holland trying to secure a loan to the United States.

appropriation of Congress [sic] are not only unequal to the annual expense, but unequal in point both of amount & punctuality to the interest of the annual expense.

Unless some more effectual provision therefor be made for public credit every one must preconceive the dangers and perplexities which await us.

The enemy already take courage from the prospect and the little progress made by Mr. Adams' Loan between his letter in June & his last in August makes it probable that the attention of our friends has also been drawn to this subject. Indeed their disposition to lend at all can only have resulted from an ignorance of our affairs which the enemy would take care should not be of long continuance.

How far the repugnance of Rhode Island to the impost will yield to these considerations is uncertain, as it is how far they will further reconcile to that measure the States which have but partially acceded to it. Our duty however requires that we should submit them thro your Excellency to the Judgment of our constituents.

File "Aud I"

TAX ON VEHICLES, NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, 1773

1773	Treasurer of Virginia in Acct with Spenser Mottram Ball			
June	Sheriff of Northumberland County	£	s	d
	By Tax on 16 Rideing 2 Wheales Chairs in Wiccocomioco Parrish.....	8	....	....
	By Tax on John Eustice's 4 Wheal Charriott.....	1	....	....
	By Tax on 22 2 Wheal Chairs in Lower precinct in St. Stephens Parrish Col- lected by Jo ^s Ball Jun ^r	11	....	....
1774	By Tax on 22 2 Wheal chairs listed in Wiccocomioco Parrish & Chas. Leas not listed.....	11	10	....

By Tax on John Eustices 4 Wheal						
Charriott.....				1	...	...
				<hr/>		
				£ 32	10	...
To 6 P ^r Ct for Collection on y ^e above						
to be deducted.....				1	19	6
				<hr/>		
				30	17	7
1775		£	s	d		
June 19	To cash P ^r Thos. Reid.....	14	1			
1776						
April 17	To cash P ^r Jn'o Deggs.....	11	16	6	25	17 6
				<hr/>		
This Acct. ought to be proved due						
Treasury.....				4	13	
Due.....				5	00	0
Feb'y 17 1777						
Examined		E. E. Onesiphorus Harvey D. S.				
James Cocke		for Spenser M. Ball, S. N. C.				
Jacob Bruce						

A LIST OF WHEEL CARRIAGES (2) IN ELIZABETH CITY FOR THE
YEARS 1775 & 1776

1775		1776	
£	s	£	
Wm Armistead	Chair— 10	Wm Armistead	2 Chairs 2
Mosely Armistead	Chair— 10	Mosely Armistead	Chair 1
Robert Armistead	Chair— 10	John Armistead	Chair 1
Booth Armistead Es-			
tate	2 Chairs 1 —	Moss Armistead	Chair 1
Jno Armistead	Chair— 10	Ja. Balfour dyed &	
		moved	Cha't & Chair—
Starkey Armistead	Chair— 10	Tho ^s Baylis Jun	Chair 1
Sam'l Allyne	Chair— 10	Robt. Brights	Chair 1
James Balfour Chariot &			
	Chair 1 10	Jno Brodie	Chair 1

(2) Elizabeth City County was and is one of the smallest in Virginia.

Tho ^a Baylis, J ^r	Chair—	10	Sarah Cary	Chat. & Chair	3
Robert Bright	Chair—	10	John Cary	Chair	1
J. W. Bayley	Chair—	10	Wilson Miles		
			Cary	Chat. & Chat	3
Jno Brodie	Chair—	10	Lockey Collier	Chair	1
Sarah Cary	Cha. & Chat	1	10 Edw ^d Cooper	Chair	1
John Cary	Chair—	10	Joseph Cooper	Chair	1
Wilson Miles					
Cary	Cha. & Chat	1	10 W. R. W. Curle	Chair	1
Lockey Collier	Chair—	10	Sarah Dixon	Chair	1
Edw ^d Cooper	Chair—	10	Elisha Hiley	Chair	1
Clausel Clausel					
(moved)	Chair—	—	John Hunter	Chair	1
Joseph Cooper	Chair—	10	John Jones	Chair	1
W. R. W. Curle	Chair—	10	Henry Jenkins	Chair	1
Simon Hollier	Chair—	10	Tho ^a Kirby	2 Chairs	2
Jno Hunter	Chair—	10	Henry King & Co.	Chair	1
John Jones	Chair—	10	John King	Phaeton	2
Tho ^a Kerby	Chair—	10	Ann Lattimer	Chair	1
Henry King	Chair—	10	Wm Lattimer	Chair	1
John Lowry	Chair—	10	George Lattimer	Chair	1
Ann Lattimer	Chair—	10	Thomas Lattimer	Chair	1
Wm. Lattimer	Chair—	10	Edward Lattimer	Chair	1
George Lattimer	Chair—	10	Edw ^d Mallory	Chair	1
Thomas Lattimer	Chair—	10	Augustin Moore	Chair	1
Edward Lattimer	Chair—	10	Cary Mitchell Char ^t & Cha	3	
Francis Mallory	Chair—	10	Banister Minson	Chair	1
Edward Mallory	Chair—	10	David Mossom		
			(moved)	Chair—	
Augustin Moore	Chair—	10	James Naylor's		
			Estate	Chair	1
William Mallory	2 Chairs	1	— Edw ^d Parrish	Chair	1
Cary Mitchell Char ^t & Cha ^r	1	—	John Shepherd Sen ^r	Chair	1
Banisterr Minson	Chair—	10	Joseph Selden's		
			Estate	Chair	1
Robert Minson	Chair—	10	John Tabb	Chair	1
William Moore	Chair—	10	James Wallace's		
			Estate	Chart & Char	3

Edward Parrish	Chair— 10	Martha Wallace	Chariott 2
Francis Priddlhurst	2 Chairs 1 —	Sam'l Watts	Chair 1
Mallory Ross	Chair— 10	Thos. Wootten	Chair 1
John Shepherd Sen ^r	Chair— 10	Thos. Webster	Chair 1
John Seymour	Chair— 10	Rich ^d Wilson	Chair 1
Joseph Selden	Chair— 10	Worlick Westwood	Chair 1
John Tabb	Chair— 10	Jacob Wray	Ch ^r 1
Carter Tarrant	Chair— 10	Walter McClurg	Chair 1
James Wallace Cha ^t & Cha ^r	1 10		£57
Martha Wallace	Chariott 1 —		
Sam'l Watts	Chair— 10		
Thomas Wootten	2 Cha ^s 1 —		
Thomas Webster	Chair— 10		
Rich ^d Wilson	Chair— 10		
Worlich Westwood	Chair— 10		
Jacob Wray	Chair— 10		
Wm. Wager	Chariott 1 —		
Walter McClurg	Chair— 10		
	£36		£57
			36
			93

James Wallace Bailey Sherif of Eliz th City County	D ^r		
To tax on Wheel Carriages in 1775.....	£36	—	—
To tax on Wheel Carriages in 1776	57	—	—
	£93	—	—
By Commission for Collecting.....	£ 4	13	—
By Ball ^{ts} Due.....	88	7	—
	£93	—	—

Sworn to before
Thos. Everard
9 April 1777

Examined
Thos. Everard
James Cocke

LIST OF WHEEL CARRIAGES IN THE COUNTY OF CHARLOTTE
FOR THE YEAR 1776

		Wheels
Robert Jennings	1 Riding Chair	2
Thomas Bedford	1 do	2
Paul Carrington	2 do	4
William Jamison	2 do	4
William Hubard	1 do	2
James Hunt	1 do	2
Isaac Read	1 do	2
Mary Read	1 do	2
Thomas Read	1 do	2
Clement Reade Estate	1 do	2
Thomas Spencer	1 do	2

Whole 26

Test.

Thomas Read Clk

ACT. OF CHEARS IN NORTHAMPTON COUNTY 1776

Rev. Isaac Avery	1	Mary Bell	1—2
John Brickhouse	1	Thom ^s Barlow	2—3
John Burton	1	John Bowdoin	2—3
Halloway Bunting	1	Charles Carpentor	1—2
Rev ^d Sam ^l S. McCroskey	3	Michael Christian	1—4
Zerubable Downing	1	Josep ^s Salby	1—2
Thom ^s Salby, Sen ^r	1	Jacob Dunton	1—2
Richards Dunton	1	Richard Dunton, Jun ^r	1—2
Elias Dunton Sen ^r	1	John Darby	1—2
Ralf Dixon	1	Margerit Eyre	4—5
William Floyd	1	Thom ^s Fisher	1—2
Polly Fisher	1	Devorax Godwin	1—2
Archibald Godwin	1	Henry Guy	1—2
Luke Heath	1	Salathiale Harrison	1—2
John S. Harmanson	2	John Harmanson	1—3

Adah Harmanson	1	Henry Harmanson	1—2
William Harmanson	1	Azariale Hunt	1—2
Dan'l R. Hall	1	Laban Johnson	1—2
Obedience Johnson	1	Tabitha Johnson	1—2
Hancock Jacobs	1	beaunah Jacob	1—2
William Jacobs	1	Custis Kendall	1—2
William Kendall	1	Daniel Luke	1—2
John Mapp	1	John Michael Sen ^r	1—2
John Michael, Jun ^r	1	Wm. Nottingham	1—2
Thomas Nottingham	1	Thomas Pettit	2—3
Thomas Parsons	2	Arthur Robins	1—2
Edward Robins	3	William Ronald	1—4
John Risspass	2	Nathaniel L. Savage	3—5
John Savage	1	Littleton Savage	3—4
Wm. Satehill	2	William Simpkins	1—3
Jonathan Stott	1	Zerubable Scott	1—2
Jonathan Smith	1	Thomas Smith	2—3
John Stratton	3	Benjamin Stratton	1—4
Elisha Stratton	1	Griffin Stith	1—2
Hilary Stringer	1	William Trowers	1—2
Ann Thompkins	3	Thom ^s Upsher	1—4
John Upshur	1	Peter Worran	1—2
Wm. Wilkins	1	John Wilkins (o p)	2—3
Hanner White	1	Duglas Willet	1—3
Margarit Bayley	1	John L. Fulwell	3—4
James Tate	1	Samuel Atchison	1—2
Thomas Underhill	1	William Gibbs	1—2
John Biggs	1	John Tompkins	1—2
George Savage	1	Leah Gault	1—2
Shadrick Ames	1	Sarah Gascoin	1—2
John A. Rish	1	Peter Dickinson	1—2

	£	118	
Sheriffs Acct. for Collecting		5	18
Ball ^e due the Country	£	112	2

LIST OF MARRIAGE LYCENSES ISSUED AND ORDINARY LYCENSES GRANTED IN NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY from the first day of October 1774 to the first day of October next following—

Marriage Ly ^{ses}			£	s	d
1774					
Nov.	8	To James Tapscot & Elis ^h Davis.....	1	—	—
	14	To John Craine & Molly Bailey.....	1	—	—
	23	To Rich ^d Clayton & Priscilla Lewis.....	1	—	—
Dec.	7	To John Andersom & Judith Wildy.....	1	—	—
	12	To William Nelms & Grace Ball.....	1	—	—
	20	To John Fauntelroy & Mary W. Stephens	1	—	—
1775					
Jan.	7	To Will Graham & Judith S. Colston.....	1	—	—
		To Gidion Marshe & Molly Barnes.....	1	—	—
Apl.	10	To Rich ^d Neale & Jane Clayton.....	1	—	—
June	6	To Rob ^t Edwards & Anna Haynis.....	1	—	—
	8	To Edward Diggs & Elis ^h Gaskine.....	1	—	—
Ordinary Lycenses					
1775					
Feb.	7	To Giles Boggess.....	1	15	—
Mar.		To Jesse Alexander.....	1	15	—
Ap'l		To Cha ^s Cepedge.....	1	15	—
July		To Rebecca Craine.....	1	15	—
			£18	0	0

Tho^s Jones C. N. C.

(To be continued.)

HER MAJ'STS REVENUE OF TWO SHILLINGS FOR EVERY HOGSHEAD OF Tobacco Exported out of this Colony

15^d p Tun for every Ship Trading here & 6^d p. poll for every person imported from ye 25th of

October 1704 to ye 25 Ap^l 1705

Dr.

	£	s	p
To Collectors Salary of 303£—19s—10½	30	07	11¾
To y ^e Gent ^l of her Maj ^{ty} s Council half a years Salary ending y ^e 25 th Aprill, Instant.	175	00	00
To y ^e Hon ^{ble} Wm. Blathwayt Esq ^r half a years Salary ending as above	50	00	00
To ye Solicitors of Virg ^a affairs half years Salary ending as above	50	—	—
To Paid y ^e Attorney Gen ^l ½ years Salary ending as above	20	—	—
To ye Clark of ye Council ½ years Salary ending as above	25	—	—
To Edw ^d Ross Gunner at James City ½ years Salary Ending as above	7	10	00
To Paid Severall Ministers for Their Attendance on y ^e Gen ^l Court and Assembly	10	—	—

To Ball ^{ee} to Be Loged in y ^e Clerk of y ^e Council's hands for paying Contingent Charges	367	17	11¾
	40	6	10¾

Tuns	Hhds.	Casske	Contra	£	s	p
208	23	8	By Coll ^o Wm Willson Navall Officer of y ^e Lower District of James River his acct of 2 ^s per hhd. Port Duty & head Money	15	06	00
782	993	899	By Coll ^o Miles Cary Navall Officer of York District his acct of 2 ^s p. hhd. port Duty & head money	154	17	03
			Cr.	408	04	10½

Tuns.	Hds.	Caske		£	s	p
28	200	0	By Coll'o Gawin Corbin Navall Officer of Rappa'hk District his acct of 2 ^s p. hhd. port duty & head money.....	19	15	00
110	307	....	By ditto for 2 ^s p. hhd. & port Dutys of y ^e Ship Europe of Whitehaven Capt. Mathew Gale Comdr.....	37	11	6
160	639	½	By Mr. Hancock Custis Navall Officer of y ^e Eastern Shore District his acct of 2 ^s per hhd. port Duty and head money from y ^e 16 of Oc'br 1703 to y ^e 20 Oc'br 1704.....	67	12	1½
20	85	...	By Ditto Custis his acct of 2 ^s p. hhd. port Duty & head money from y ^e 20 Oct'br 1704 to y ^e 25 Ap' 'll 1705.....	8	18	—
By Several Rights of Land Sold.....				303	19	10½
By his Exclys bills of Exchange for Clearing of y ^e Salarys.....				4	05	—
By his Exclys bills of Exchange for Clearing of y ^e Salarys.....				308	04	10½
By his Exclys bills of Exchange for Clearing of y ^e Salarys.....				100	—	—

Veria Copia Will Robertson Clerk.....408 04 10½

This is a true Copy of what is Signed by Mr. Wm. Robertson Clerk of her Maj^{ty} Hon'ble Council and Sent to y^e most Hon'ble My Lord High Treasurer to y^e Right Hon'ble y^e Lords Com^{rs} for Trade and Plantacons as also to y^e Hon'ble Mr. Blathwayt Esq^r Etc

P.
Fr. Nicholson
File "Mostly before 1776."

Virginia THE ACCOUNT OF HER MAJESTYS DUTY ON LIQUORS AND SLAVES from the 10th day of December 1710
including £72, 17s, 10p received by Coll'o Richard Lee for Duty before that time.

D ^r		£		s	p	C ^r		£		s	p					
To Salary for the money rec'd of						By money rec'd of Coll'o										
Coll'o Lee						2	18	3¼	Richard Lee			72	17	10		
To payments for the Governor's House						1958	17		By the duty on Slaves			1147	10	11½		
To payments for Bruton church						80			By the Duty on Liquors			1787	15	4½		
To a payment for the Prison						58										
To payments for the Debts of the																
Country						637	8	4	3008						4	2
						2736	18	4								
Due to Balance						271	5	6¼								
						3008	4	2								